

**Health Information Technology Exchange of Connecticut
Legal and Policy Committee
May 2, 2012**

Meeting Minutes

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: John Lynch present with phone participants Marie Momile-Mehler, Jennifer Cox, Nic Scibelli, Peter Armstrong, Ellen Andrews and Nancy Vargas.

HITE-CT MEMBERS: Lori Reed-Fourquet (phone), David Gilbertson (phone)

Public: Laurie Opalack, HIT Intern

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

Review and Approval of Minutes The committee members adopted the minutes from April 10, 2012.

Review of annexes to Participation Agreement

Participants accessed and reviewed the Participation Agreement by webcast. Discussions centered on Exhibits A, B and D. Amendments, corrections, deletions and commentary were made in real time directly to the Draft Participation Agreement by Lori Fourquet and included some of the following changes:

- a textual change to Exhibit A;
- a committee agreement to eliminate the document currently listed as Exhibit B; and
- the removal of "Exhibit B" as a reference from the definition of "Authorized User" listed in the Definition Section.
- the committee requests a redraft of the definition of "Authorized User" to provide more clarity and scope. Does the definition extend beyond the practitioner and/or medical organization to each individual staff member with access to the HIE? Is an "Authorized User" required to undergo training on the HIE to attain a designation and/or certification similar to that required for HIPAA authorization?
- the final draft of Exhibit D was not available for committee review pending its review and approval by the Finance Board and will be merged into the Participation Agreement upon approval.

Review of documents

Participants noted that Federal Regulation, 42CFR Part 2 supports the Opt-In model and would allow for a better flow of information through the HIE.

The committee declined a request to schedule a mid-May meeting for further review of the Participation Agreement. John Lynch motioned that the Participation Agreement be deferred to the Board of Directors for final recommendation at their upcoming May 21st meeting. Motion passed unanimously without discussion.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.